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SUBJECT: HEDI HOUIRA INVITED TO VISIT PORTUGAL

ACCORDING TO TUNISIAN PRESS OF NOVEMBER 2, GOT MINISTER OF NATIONAL HEALTH MONGI KOOLI, CURRENTLY IN LISBON AT HEAD OF TUNISIAN DELEGATION ATTENDING SOCIALIST PARTY CONGRESS, MET WITH PORTUGUESE PREMIER MARIO SOARES AND WAS PRESENTED INVITATION FOR GOT PRIME MINISTER HEDI NOUIRA TO VISIT PORTUGAL. TUNISIAN PRESS ITEM REPORTING THIS INVITATION NOTED THAT TUNISIA WAS "FIRST AFRICAN COUNTRY TO SUPPORT THE NEW PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT'S DECOLONIZATION POLICY IN ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY AND THAT TUNISIA WAS THE FIRST AFRICAN COUNTRY TO RENEW RELATIONS WITH PORTUGAL." NO MENTION WAS MADE OF WHEN NOUIRA MIGHT ACTUALLY MAKE TRIP, BUT SOARES WAS REPORTED TO HAVE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT NOUIRA WILL BE FIRST HEAD OF AFRICAN GOVERNMENT TO VISIT "THE NEW PORTUGAL."
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